

## TRACTION COMPANY IS ASKED TO HELP

Midcity Citizens' Association  
Certain Mass Meeting Will  
Be Well Attended.

## NAUSEATING ODORS ARISE FROM POOLS IN ROADWAY

Chief Engineer of Railway Pre-  
fers to Leave Highway Just  
As It Is, With Cobbles.

Every merchant on Seventh street, between New York avenue and Q street has signed the petition being circulated by the Midcity Citizens' Association, praying Congress to restore to the District appropriation bill the item providing for the repaving of that road.

Plans for the mass meeting to be held on Saturday night are progressing rapidly. Every indication points to a great gathering of citizens.

The association has sent a letter to the Capital Traction Company, whose cars run on Seventh street, asking for their co-operation in the matter.

John H. Hanna, chief engineer of the company, when questioned upon the attitude of the company in connection with the repaving, replied that he had nothing to do with it and had no position to take. He said, in part: "What we would prefer would be to leave matters just as they are. The present conditions along Seventh street are satisfactory to us. We prefer gravel streets to any other."

"We knew that the item calling for the repaving of Seventh street was in the estimate but we hoped that it would be wiped out and it was, but as far as any repaving is concerned, we have nothing to do with it. We must lay our track, either asphalt or block, as directed by Congress."

E. J. Stollwagen, who is financially interested in the Capital Traction Company, declared the matter was properly one for the consideration and action of officials of the company. He said: "If the company has a good track on Seventh street and it will cost a lot of money to repave, they won't want to pull it up."

**Nauseating Odors.**  
A cruise was made up Seventh street today by a photographer and a companion in an automobile, and several photographs were taken, showing the condition of the roadway.

A critical examination of the street surface was made. It was found to be rough and uneven, with depressions here and there, where water yet stood from the last sprinkling. Trash and decaying vegetable matter lay in the potholes and gutters and in several places

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## "BUTCH" SAYS HE IS KING OF MANY FOOLS

Ephemeral "Millionaire" Tells  
Wilkesbarre His Subjects  
Greeted Him Here.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 5.—Irrepressible John Jay ("Butch") McDevitt arrived here this morning after his whirlwind trip to Washington. His suite was encaused in a pine box and was handled roughly by the baggage men. In speaking of his trip, "Butch" said:

"I am perfectly satisfied with the outcome of the trip. I may be the peer of kings, but I am not a king. I am a man who clammers to shake my hands. I have a legion of subjects. I am undecided about my status. I may buy an island, place the statue in the center of it and proclaim myself king."

On leaving the Lehigh Valley station McDevitt tossed a coin to a newsboy and said that he was flat broke. In describing his trip home on a common train, he said it was "a wild and a ride."

The trip cost "Butch" about \$1,000.

## Missing Lawlor Girl In Y. W. C. A. in Chicago

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Florence Lawlor, sixteen-year-old school girl missing from her home in Brooklyn, for a week, was found today in the Y. W. C. A. at Chicago.

## Hurled Against Seat, Asks \$10,000 Damages

Corra S. Bassett filed a suit in the District Supreme Court today against the Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Railroad Company for \$10,000 damages alleged to have been received when she was thrown against a seat on a passenger train at Brandywine, Pa., on December 10 last.

## Alleges False Arrest: Wants \$10,000 Damages

False arrest is alleged by Simon Goldberg in a suit for \$10,000 damages filed in the District Supreme Court today against Morton Samuels. Goldberg alleges that he was arrested without proper cause last December.

## Why The Kenyon Bill?

Is the first subject of a series of instructive articles by one of America's foremost social welfare workers.

Kate Waller Barrett  
Written Exclusively For The Washington Times  
The Series Begins Saturday

In these articles Mrs. Barrett, whose years of work for the protection and elevation of womanhood have made her known from one end of the country to the other, will show the causes for the present evil and its cure; why it has existed, and how to prevent it.

## Red Light Bill Will Stand, Says Kenyon

Measure's Author Declares Supreme Court Test Will  
Not Affect Principles Already Laid Down  
In Other Courts.

Senator Kenyon of Iowa, author of the Kenyon "Red Light" bill, made it plain today that he had no question of the constitutionality of the measure and no question what the outcome would be if its opponents brought a test case in the courts. He made this statement:

"Every question involved in this measure has been passed on by the supreme courts of some of the States of the Union."

"The principles involved and underlying this measure have been upheld by some of the State supreme courts. For the most part, they have been passed on by the Iowa supreme court and have been upheld."

Moreover, the Supreme Court of the United States has upheld in the main the principles on which the bill is founded. This bill is modeled on the Iowa law. Minnesota has a law which is still more drastic than the Iowa law."

Senator Kenyon regards talk of a test case as put out in the hope that it may influence the White House against the bill and also

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## MANY CORPORATIONS HERE FACE FINES BILL PROVIDES FREE BOOKS IN SCHOOLS

Failure to Submit Annual Reports  
to Public Utilities Commission the Cause.

For failure to submit annual reports to the Public Utilities Commission by January 1, as required by law, a number of the public utilities in the District may be subjected to a fine of not less than \$500 or more than \$1,000.

The question as to what action shall be taken against the companies will be placed before Engineer Commissioner Harding, chairman of the commission, late this afternoon or tomorrow.

The following, according to the commission, are the companies from which no reports have been received: Adams Express Company, United States Express Company, Southern Express Company, Western Union Telegraph Company, Postal Telegraph-Cable Company, Washington and Old Dominion Railway, Metropolitan Coach Company, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Annapolis Electric Railway Company, Washington-Rockville Railway Company, Washington-Interurban Railway Company, Washington, Woodside, Forest Glen Railway and Power Company, Auto Livery Company, Barnett Taxicab Company, Federal Taxicab Company, and Terminal Taxicab Company.

All these companies, it was said today, will be required to submit under oath, explanations why their reports were not submitted within the time specified.

The annual reports of the following companies have been forwarded to the Speaker of the House: Georgetown and Tenleytown Railway Company, Capital Traction Company, City and Suburban Railway Company of Washington, Washington-Virginia Railway Company, Washington Railway and Electric Company, East Washington Heights Traction Railway Company, Potomac Electric Power Company, Georgetown Gas Light Company, Washington Gas Light Company, Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, Union Transfer Company, and Washington Market Company.

**Favorably Reports Measure Limiting Working Day of Women in District.**

At its regular meeting today, the House District Committee reported favorably the La Follette bill providing an eight-hour day for women employed in the mercantile and industrial establishments of the District of Columbia.

The provisions of the bill, previously published in The Times, affect all department stores, factories, express offices, telephone and telegraph companies in the District, but do not include electric power companies and general office workers.

In order to expedite the passage of the bill, the House committee reported the La Follette bill without amendment. It becomes effective ten days after approval. The bill probably will be called up by Chairman Johnson, of the District Committee, next Monday.

## I. C. C. Asks Questions On Roads' Free Service

In line with its recent intimation that to increase in freight rates will be allowed until carriers show they are giving no free service, the Interstate Commerce Commission today sent fifteen questions by railroads, asking the amount of their service in "spotting" cars on private tracks, furnishing ferry service, and making reconnoissances en route.

Hearings on these points will be held here February 12, 13, and 14.

## Oldest Indian Is Dead.

WINSTON, N. C., Feb. 5.—Chief White Eagle, of the Ponca tribe, 111 years old, and said to be the oldest Indian in the United States, died here today.

## CONGRESS TO AID BASEBALL FANS

Commissioners Urge Opening of  
New Street to Relieve Street  
Car Congestion.

## FLORIDA AVENUE CARS AFFECTED BY BILL

Condemnation of Property For  
Streets in Barry Farm Sub-  
division Also Advocated.

Improved street railway facilities for the baseball fans is sought by the District Commissioners in a bill sent to Congress today to authorize the opening of a minor street between Georgia avenue and Ninth street northwest to relieve street railway congestion in the vicinity of Seventh and Florida avenue northwest.

The street railway tracks in Florida avenue, between Seventh and Ninth streets are used jointly by the Capital Traction and the Washington Railway and Electric companies.

"This joint use," the Commissioners say, "causes a congestion of traffic at all times, but particularly during the baseball season."

"It is proposed when the new street is opened, that the cars of the Washington Railway and Electric Company shall continue north on Ninth street to the proposed new street, and thence run east to Georgia avenue."

"When this is done it is proposed that the Washington Railway and Electric Company shall abandon that portion of its tracks extending from Seventh street and Florida avenue north on Georgia avenue to the proposed new street."

This would relieve the present congestion on Florida avenue, between Seventh and Ninth streets, especially at the intersection of Seventh street and Florida avenue.

## Barry Farm Improvement.

The bill provides that one half of the total cost of the improvement shall be assessed against the railway companies and the remainder against abutting and adjacent property.

With a recommendation for its enactment, the Commissioners sent Congress today also a bill authorizing street and highway improvement in the Barry farm subdivision between Annapolis and the grounds of the Government Arsenal for the Insane. As this section has no public highways it has been impossible to furnish sewerage and water facilities.

## "OLD HICKORY" STICK IS GIVEN TO WILSON

Man Who Died in McKinley's  
Administration Will Get It to  
"Next Democratic Chief."

What was declared to be the original hickory stick carried by President "Old Hickory" Jackson today, reposed in President Wilson's study at the White House.

It was handed to the Chief Executive by Senator Thompson, of Kansas, together with a bunch of documents that showed that just before starting for Washington for his inauguration President Jackson gave the stick to a neighbor, Tarry Fox.

The latter, who died early in the term of President McKinley, bequeathed it to his wife, Letitia Ludlum, of Wichita, Kans., with instructions that it was to be presented to the next Democratic President of the United States. It is expected that the President will send the stick and the papers accompanying it to the Smithsonian Institution.

## Get News of Death of Mrs. Emma K. Gaisberg

News reached Washington today of the death in London, England, last Tuesday, of Mrs. Emma K. Gaisberg, mother of Mrs. Randolph Forster, wife of the Assistant Secretary to the President. Mrs. Gaisberg died at the home of her husband, 2000 Massachusetts avenue, N. W., Washington, where she was residing for several years.

## Treaty With Denmark For Five Years Signed

The treaty between Denmark and the United States embodying a provision for the submission of all international disputes to arbitration was signed at the State Department today. It is for five years and requires one year's notice before termination.

## Urges Sharp as Envoy.

Senator Pomeroy of Ohio today recommended to President Wilson the appointment of Congressman William G. Sharp, of Elvira, Ohio, as ambassador to Russia. The President took the recommendation under advisement.

# CONGRESSMAN BREMNER IS DEAD AFTER BRAVE FIGHT



Congressman R. G. BREMNER.

## ARLINGTON SITE IS RESOLD AT \$847,000

Richmond Interests Acquire the  
Title at Auction With Small  
of Bid and Cash Payment.

The interests who bid in the Arlington Hotel site last Thursday at public auction for \$500,000, but who failed to make a cash payment of \$50,000 as required, acquired the title today at the resale, for \$847,000.

The repeated auction this morning was the result of the default of the Richmond interests, represented by Robert H. McNeill, a Washington attorney, to put up the \$50,000 last week as specified in the terms of sale.

Mr. McNeill, one of the first to arrive today at the scene, was accompanied by Oliver J. Sands, announced as "the agent from out of town." Mr. Sands did not say for whom he acted.

Little spirit marked the bidding today. The first call was answered by a representative from the Equitable Life Assurance Society of New York, from which the Arlington Company secured a loan of \$500,000 six months ago, and which with interest and other costs, is represented now by the sum of \$150,000. The Equitable opened the bidding with an \$85,000 call, exceeding the bid of a week ago by \$5,000.

Mr. McNeill responded with a bid of \$87,000. There were no other bids and the hammer fell.

Mr. McNeill asked to tender his certified check for \$50,000, produced it because the bidding was so low, and secured a considerable sensation among bystanders.

The Richmond interests, it was understood, were made this morning, there is some reason to believe that they are doing so with more favorable financial conditions allow a resale at a profit.

The terms of sale required a cash payment of \$50,000 and that the remainder be paid with interest at a rate of 6 per cent per annum.

The Arlington site at Vermont avenue and H street embraces 36,281 square feet.

Not at noon.

Hearings on stock exchange bill before Banking and Currency Committee continued.

Senator Kenyon says red light bill is not to be introduced.

Senator Durr is expected to introduce a bill for Federal aid in eradicating hookworms.

Commerce Committee meets.

## IN CONGRESS TODAY.

SENATE.  
Corporation Counsel Conrad N. Syme will represent the District. Deputy Chief Sullivan will be represented by Attorney Charles W. Durr. Mr. Durr is today additional counsel, selected by him, may be employed.

The board is directed to report its findings with such recommendations as it may see proper to submit, as soon as possible after the trial.

## CANCER DEFEATS RADIUM IN GRIM BATTLE FOR LIFE

New Jersey Legislator Optimistic  
Even When His Vitality  
Was Ebbing Away.

## END CAME THIS MORNING IN PRIVATE SANITARIUM

BALTIMORE, Feb. 5.—Optimistic to the last, Congressman Robert G. Bremner of New Jersey died at Dr. Howard A. Kelly's sanitarium today at 10:25 o'clock.

The vitality shown by the dying legislator had astonished his physicians for weeks, and a few hours before he expired they said they believed it was only his optimism which kept him alive. He refused to admit that the cancerous growth which had eaten its way from his left shoulder to his neck, would prove fatal.

Tubes containing \$100,000 worth of radium were inserted in the shoulder, but the last stand of science failed to check the ravages of the disease, and it

## Disease Defeats Science.

General Huerta has sent to newspapers in every part of the world his written statement that he desires accurate news reports of his campaign against the rebels in the north to be furnished to the public, and that to accomplish that he invites ten war correspondents to be his guests. Huerta offers to pay their transportation to Mexico, send them with his armies under his protection, feed them and pay all their expenses.

The dictator says he has 150,000 regular troops, 20,000 volunteers, and will soon raise 50,000 additional men. With this armed force, he predicts, the federal will crush out the rebels in the north and in a short time pacify the country.

Huerta prefaced his statement by saying that he had nothing to say at this time about the proclamation of President Wilson.

## "Huerta Will Be Ousted In 90 Days," Says Editor

"Huerta will be ousted as President of Mexico and the success of the revolution assured within ninety days," declared Camilo Padilla, of Santa Fe, who is in Washington with Col. Juan Medina, a leading constitutionalist, who came to urge the lifting of the embargo on arms.

Said Senor Padilla, who is editor of the Revista Ilustrada:

"My only interest is to see peace restored for business reasons."

"I believe the lifting of the embargo will quickly result in the success of the revolution. Moreover, I believe that the constitutionalists will be able to put a strong man at the head of the government. Certainly, I think, will be provisional President, but it is my understanding he does not want to be permanent President. Villa may be President, but he is uneducated, but a good man and a good fighter. He has repeatedly said he did not desire the Presidency. As a matter of fact, Villa holds his forces together because he is believed by them to be working for the common purpose. Should it be for an instant develop that he has designs on the Presidency, they would drop him like a hot potato."

"I am unable to say who will be the President to succeed Huerta other than provisionally, but the truth is that several strong men have come to the front who were unknown three years ago and who are now the only ones who are competent to handle the situation."

## Board Sets Rules FOR SULLIVAN TRIAL

was admitted Tuesday that the Congressman's end was near.

Mr. Bremner's wife and his sister, Miss Helen Bremner, were in the sick room. His brothers, the Rev. Walter Bremner and Leith Bremner, both of Richmond, Va., and William Bremner, a student of the University of Toronto, were in an adjoining room.

He had passed into a coma, and his life was slowly ebbing, as the minutes dragged past after dawn.

One of Family of Ten.

Congressman Bremner was one of a family of ten children and the idol of his aged mother, Mrs. Alexander Bremner, and his seven brothers and sisters. He was born in Kales, Cathness, in the north of Scotland, in 1874, but went to Canada with his parents when young. He was educated in Canada, and only came to this country shortly before reaching his majority, working in New York as a carpenter and an electrician. When he was twenty-one he became a reporter on a Paterson, N. J., paper. In 1892 he obtained control of the Hudson River News, a daily newspaper, and only came to this country shortly before reaching his majority, working in New York as a carpenter and an electrician. When he was twenty-one he became a reporter on a Paterson, N. J., paper. In 1892 he obtained control of the Hudson River News, a daily newspaper, and only came to this country shortly before reaching his majority, working in New York as a carpenter and an electrician. 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